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SATURDAY, JAN. 6

Lexington now has a population of 41,097, as estimated by the census bureau.

The Russians are preparing to make a stand against the invaders of Rumania.

The State treasurer has called in \$1,800,000 of the \$5,000,000 of state warrants outstanding.

South Carolina's new child labor law, now in effect, releases 2,400 children from factory labor.

Germany says the Entente's reply indicates that the war must continue until the Entente themselves sue for peace.

The tipple of the Hecla mines at Earlington, owned by the St. Bernard Coal Co., was destroyed by fire Jan. 1, causing a loss of several thousand dollars.

F. L. Felix, for more than 30 years identified with the Hartford Herald, has sold the paper, since the death of his partner, H. L. Mathews, to a stock company. W. H. Coombs took active charge of the paper this week. G. B. Likens is president of the company taking over this valuable property.

Gov. Stanley is right in refusing to call the legislature together in special session until assured in some way of the disposition of the members to cooperate with him in passing a tax reform bill. It takes \$1,000 a day to run the General Assembly and about \$30,000 is enough money to waste in passing a measure that might have been prepared and passed during the regular session. Stand pat, Governor, and make them sign a pledge to quit in thirty days.

The Rev. Sidney J. Catts, a Baptist preacher who went to Florida four years ago, was inaugurated Governor Tuesday. In his inaugural address he advocated carrying out the State's project to drain the Everglade swamps, pledged himself to State-wide prohibition and the placing of all schools on an equal footing, and urged passage of a law providing for police inspection of parochial schools, convents and nunneries. An inaugural ball was given but Gov. Catts did not attend it.

The Bowling Green News has absorbed the Bowling Green Messenger, the News Publishing Co., of which John B. Gaines is the general manager, buying out the Messenger Company, of which Henry B. Hines and Edward O. Leigh are the controlling factors. Bowling Green has been trying to support three daily papers and it was inevitable that the new conditions would bring about some change in the situation. John B. Gaines is president of the Kentucky Press Association and one of the few old time editors who have been at the game for nearly 40 years. The job department of the new plants have been merged also, with C. M. Coombs, of the Messenger, in charge.

Wanted Devotions Cut Short.

Tired little Stanley was returning home with his parents in the evening, after having been to watch some fireworks. "Mother," he asked, as he trudged sleepily along, "do you think it would be all right if I'd just throw God a kiss tonight, and not say my prayers? I'm so tired."

THE MISSING LETTER

By LOIS PIKE.

Things happened very rapidly in the slow old village of Columbus. The first thing that happened to rouse the people was the fact that Miss Ruth White's aunt died in her far-off state and left her a legacy of \$5,000. Miss Ruth was the belle of the village, notwithstanding that her father was a carpenter.

Then it became widely known that Dave Johnson, son of Squire Johnson, had made new proposals of marriage to Miss Ruth—making three in all in one year.

Then Abner Taylor's widow, who had been postmistress for several years, went suddenly blind. She had the legal right to name an assistant and she named Miss Ruth White. The two had been good friends for a long time and the girl took the place of assistant that the widow might hold her place and not come to poverty.

These incidents were gossip for a week or two, and then sleepy old Columbus went to sleep again. The fact that Miss Ruth was at the general delivery window gave Dave Johnson opportunities to see her and speak with her which he had not had before, and there was scarcely a day in the week that he was not a caller at the post office. His father, a justice of the peace, received more mail than any five other persons in the village put together, and his son's excuse every time he came in was to get his father's mail or mail letters for him.

As for Ruth, she had little to say to him, for she had refused him absolutely, but as a public official she had to treat him with courtesy. One day when there was no one in the office but the two he said to her:

"Miss Ruth, I love you and am going to have you for a wife. If you keep on refusing me I shall play you some trick to make you wish you had accepted me."

His speech angered the girl, and he gave him back such hot words that he slunk away while she was still talking. He went direct to his father's office and told his parent that his assistant postmistress had vilified the whole family. He told her after he told the old man excited and revengeful, and the squire was ready to enter into any plan.

"The idea that you are not good enough for her and her family!" he shouted. "Dave, you have not the best of reputations; but we must go to work to take some of the conceit out of the slip of a girl. She seems to think she runs this whole town, but she won't even run the post office when we get through with her."

The was scheming and planning for the next month. The first thing to be done, as father and son looked at it, was to cause the girl to lose her position and under a cloud of suspicion that. But no opening presented itself for a month or two. Dave kept away from the post office and the squire got his mail himself.

One day he entered the office in his pompous way and said to Ruth:

"I wish to enter a complaint to the postal authorities, and it may turn out to be very serious for you."

"Very all," was the reply. "I will take your complaint and forward it. Has there been anything wrong about your mail?"

"Yes, mam, there has. A letter containing money addressed to me, and which I have reached this post office all right, has not come to me, and I want to know where the trouble lies."

In about a week the inspector on that route arrived. He was a young and good-looking man, and his impression of the assistant postmistress was very favorable. She had probably made some mistake in boxing the mail. The squire was sent for, and the story told was that a man named Harkness, over at the village of Milford, had bought a horse of him and had paid all but \$10 of the price. He was to pay that on a certain date. He said he would send a \$10 bill over in a letter, and he was a man whose word was as good as his bond. He surely had mailed the letter and it ought to have reached the squire next day, but weeks had elapsed and the letter had not yet arrived. He was asked by the inspector if he had telephoned Harkness, and he replied that he had not.

Ruth quietly and calmly protested, and she could do no more. The inspector was about to go across the street and telephone to Harkness himself when old Uncle Doremus came in with a letter in his hand and exclaimed:

"I am getting to be a darned old fool. I got a letter in my box some days ago and put it in my pocket to take home. Dog my cats if I didn't forget all about that letter till just this morning! It wasn't for me anyhow. It was for Squire Johnson here, and it was put in the wrong box."

The squire received and opened the letter. There was no \$10 bill in it. Instead of sending him the money, Mr. Harkness called him a cheat, a liar and a swindler, and said he might sue and be hanged to him. The squire walked out of the post office without a word. The inspector said such mistakes often happened, but could be overlooked. Dave Johnson did not appear to renew his proposal, but six months later Miss Ruth received one that she accepted and the inspector's husband still permits her to act as assistant postmistress.

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Effect of One Bottle.

Grandall, Tex.—"After my last spell of sickness," writes Mrs. Belle Teal, of this city, "I remained very ill, and stayed in bed for eight weeks. I couldn't get up, at this time, and I thought my doctor came to see me every day, but didn't do me a y good. I had taken but one bottle of Cardui, when I was up, going everywhere, and as I was doing all my house work." Cardui helps when other medicines have failed, because it contains ingredients not found in any other medicine. Pure, safe, reliable, gentle-acting—Cardui is the ideal medicinal tonic for weak, sick women. Try it.—Advertisement.

AN IMPROMPTU SHADE.

When the side electric bulb is just a trifle too glaring for the work which you are doing, or if it shines too brightly in a bedroom where a softer glow is desired, just try slipping a plain manila envelope of business size over the bulb. The fact that you have to press the envelope at the ends to make it gap enough to be slipped over the bulb gives it enough resistance to keep it in place. Of course this is not a sightly shade, but it answers the purpose when a soft light is required in a hurry.

NEW ANTI-TYPHOID VACCINE.

Doctor Chantemesse has introduced into the French army a new form of vaccination against typhoid. It is a complete dose of typhoid and paratyphoid bacilli in a solution composed of sesame oil, a little oleate of cholesterol and purified neutral lanolin. Only one injection is necessary; this is painless; the resulting immunity lasts two years.

SILENCED.

Agent—Sir, it will pay you to look over this wonderfully comprehensive encyclopedia. It has something about everything you can possibly want to know about. It will pay you to buy it.

Business Man—No, it wouldn't. I've a son just come home from college.

PERFECT.

Stella—The ostrich doesn't see much and digests everything.
Bella—What an ideal husband!

BOTH WAYS.

"When money talks, what does it say?"
"Generally 'buy buy.'"

Sermon for the Virtuous.

We excuse the partial failure of our characters on the ground of their general success—we can afford to be a little bad who are so good. Temper is the vice of the virtuous. Christ's sermon on the "elder brother" is evidently a sermon pointedly to the virtuous—not to make bad people good, but to make good people perfect.—Drummond.

Preferred Locals

Smithson Water delivered Tuesdays and Saturdays. Phone 633-1. advertisement.

WANTED—Sewing at reasonable prices. MRS. LUDWIG, Johnson Court.

Good Morning. Have You Seen The Courier? Evansville's Best paper.

For Sale.

A lot of building lumber and house framing timbers at Gracey, Ky. Also the lively stable property situated near the L. C. depot in Gracey.

MRS. LUCY N. MEECHAM. Advertisement.

For Sale

Four H. P. Gasoline tank, cooled international engine, in good condition, at a very low price. May be seen at PLANTERS HDW. CO. Incorporated. Advertisement.

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AT THE CHURCHES.

Strangers in the city and the public are cordially invited to all services at the following churches:

Cumberland Presbyterian Church.
J. B. Eahman, Pastor.
Sunday School at 9:30.
Prayer at 11 a. m.
Christian Endeavor 6:30.
Preaching at 7:30 p. m.
First Presbyterian Church—
Sunday School—9:30 a. m.
Morning Service 11:00 a. m.
Evening Service 7:30.
Christian Endeavor—7:00 p. m.
Weekly Prayer Meeting Wednesday—7:30 p. m.

First Baptist Church—Rev. C. M. Thompson, Pastor. Services as usual.
Sunday School—9:30 a. m.
Morning Service—11:00 a. m.
Evening Service—7:30 p. m.
Second Baptist Church—Rev. W. R. Goodman, Pastor.
Sunday School—9:30 a. m.
Preaching—11 a. m.
Preaching—7:30 p. m.
B. Y. P. U. 6:30 P. M.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday night—7:30 p. m.

Westminster Presbyterian Church
Sunday School—9:30 a. m.
Men's Bible Class—10:00 a. m.
Morning Service—11:45 a. m.
Evening Services 7:30 p. m.

Grace Church—Rev. Geo. C. Abbott, Rector.
Morning prayer and sermon at 6:45.
Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.

Proper Lighting Important.

In recent years boards of health all over the country have become so much impressed with the importance of proper lighting, even natural sunlight, that laws are enforced strictly as to the placing of windows in public schools.

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We have just put in a complete Lens Grinding Plant and can save you money on Glasses. Broken Lenses duplicated while you wait. YOUR EYES TESTED and Glasses accurately fitted. We guarantee Satisfaction.



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Condensed Financial Statement of the

PLANTERS BANK & TRUST CO.

Hopkinsville, Ky.

At the Close of Business Dec. 30, '16

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts.....\$416 729 64
Stocks and Bonds.....25 275 00
Overdrafts.....428 02
Furniture and Fixtures.....5 000 00
Banking House and Lot.....22 000 00
Other Real Estate.....14 500 00
Cash and Sight Exchange 84 972 58

\$568 905 24

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock.....\$100 000 00
Surplus and Undivided Profits.....37 400 62
Dividend No. 76, this day 3 000 00
Unpaid Dividend No. 75.....30 00
Set Aside to Pay 1917 taxes.....2 284 06
Bills Payable.....45 000 00
Deposits.....381 390 56

\$568 905 24
A. H. ECKLES, Cashier.

Trust Department.

RESOURCES.

Trust Fund Invested for Account of agents and Trustees.....\$424,968.70
For Account of Guardians 23,864.87
For Account of Executors.....23,307.18
For Account of Committees.....4,800.00
Cash on Hand.....13,033.00

\$489,973.75

LIABILITIES.

Due Sundry Estates and Individuals.....\$489,973.75

Estimated Value of Real Estate held as Trustee, Guardian, Agent, Etc., not included in above.....\$175,000.00
J. M. STARLING, Sec'y.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

Bank of Hopkinsville

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS
DECEMBER 30, 1916.

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts.....\$388 904 45
Banking House.....23 000 00
Stocks and Bonds.....64 258 28
Overdrafts.....1 374 26
Cash and Sight Exchange.....199 417 56
\$676 954 55

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock.....\$100 000 00
Surplus Fund.....25 000 00
Undivided Profits.....2 563 01
Due Depositors.....540 563 54
Due to Banks.....4 000 00
Dividends Unpaid.....828 00
Dividend No. 103, this day 4 000 00
\$676 954 55

J. E. McPHERSON, Cashier.

HOPKINSVILLE, KY.

JAN. 1st, 1917.

CONDENSED STATEMENT

City Bank & Trust Co.

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS
Dec. 30, 1916.

ASSETS.

Loans.....\$619 821 63
Bonds.....41 000 00
Overdrafts.....2 259 03
Banking House.....15 000 00
Other Real Estate.....6 000 00
Cash and Sight Exchange.....226 309 89
\$910 390 55

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock.....\$ 60 000 00
Surplus.....100 000 00
Undivided Profits.....15 134 84
Dividend No. 73, 5 per cent.....3 000 00
Dividend—Special, 5 per cent.....3 000 00
Cashier's Checks.....201 00
Deposits.....729 054 71
\$910 390 55

IRA L. SMITH, Cashier.

MODART CORSETS FRONT LACED

Beginning, Thursday Dec. 21st, I will sell every hat left in my shop at \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5.00.

On Jan. 1st, 1917, I am going to move my Hat Shop and Corset Studio to the Dr. Hill residence on South Main St., and wish to dispose of all my hats before leaving, so to the woman who wants a late HAT, a REMARKABLE BARGAIN is offered.

Ida T. Blumenstiel

2nd Floor Cherokee Bldg.

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